

# Proposed Restricted Roads (20mph Limit) (Scotland) Bill

## Page 2: About you

Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?

an individual

Which of the following best describes you? (If you are a professional or academic, but not in a subject relevant to the consultation, please choose "Member of the public".)

Member of the public

Please select the category which best describes your organisation

*No Response*

Please choose one of the following; if you choose the first option, please provide your name or the name of your organisation as you wish it to be published.

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Please insert your name or the name of your organisation. If you choose the first option above, this should be the name as you wish it to be published. If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

Please provide details of a way in which we can contact you if there are queries regarding your response. Email is preferred but you can also provide a postal address or phone number. We will not publish these details.

## Page 7: Your views on the proposal

Q1. Which of the following best expresses your view of the proposal to replace the current 30mph default speed limit on restricted roads with a 20mph limit.

Fully Supportive

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

Safety - decrease in accidents and decrease in serious of injuries in any accident Improved road environment for pedestrians and cyclists - safer, reduced traffic noise. Improved road environment for inhabitants - reduced traffic noise.

Q2. Could the aims of this proposal be better delivered in another way (without a Bill in the Scottish Parliament)?

No

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

Bill seems the only way to achive wholesale rather than piecemeal delivery.

Q3. What do you think would be the main advantages, if any, of the proposal?

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Improved road environment for inhabitants - reduced traffic noise.  
Cahnge in culture /attitude to road speed.

Q4. What do you think would be the main disadvantages, if any, of the proposal?

None

Q5. What other measures do you think would be needed to maximise compliance with the new national 20mph speed limit on restricted roads, for example in relation to advertising signage and police enforcement.

Effective enforcement - whether by police or other authority  
Public education and awareness raising.

## Page 12: Financial implications

Q6. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have?

	Significant increase in cost	Some increase in cost	Broadly cost-neutral	Some reduction in cost	Significant reduction in cost	Unsure
Scottish Government			X			

Q6. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have?

<b>Local Authorities</b>				X		
<b>Motorists</b>			X			
<b>Other</b>						
<b>Police Scotland</b>						

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

Scottish Government - costs of creating and implementing the legislation may be balanced out by decreased care costs from reduced accidents/seriousness of injury Local Authorities - For those implementing 20mph (piecemeal implementation) the current burden of costs of introduction of 20mph limits transferred to central government. Motorists - Any increased costs due to perhaps decreased fuel efficiency may be balanced out long term by decreased insurance payments due to decreased accident claims.

Q7. Do you believe there will be any other benefits to reducing the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph?

Possible health benefits - improved and safer road environment might attract more people walking and cycling.

## Page 14: Equalities

Q8. What overall impact is the proposed Bill likely to have on the following protected groups (under the Equality Act 2010): race, disability, sex, gender re-assignment, age, religion and belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity?

Unsure

Q9. Could any negative impact of the proposed Bill on any of these protected groups be minimised or avoided?

Don't know

## Page 16: Sustainability of the proposal

Q10. Do you consider that the proposed Bill can be delivered sustainably i.e. without having likely future disproportionate economic, social and/or environmental impact?

Unsure

**Please explain the reasons for your response:**

Don't have enough information to answer.

## Page 17: General

Q11. Do you have any other comments or suggestions on the proposal to establish a 20mph default speed limit on restricted roads?

None